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### Advanced Words Only

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## Session 1: Word List

### grumpy

*adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way

*synonym*: crabby, grouchy, irritable

(1) **grumpy** cat, (2) **grumpy** mood

The **grumpy** older man snapped at the children for playing too loudly.

### pessimism

*n.* a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right

*synonym*: negativity, defeatism, cynicism

(1) deep **pessimism**, (2) sense of **pessimism**

The CEO's constant **pessimism** about the company's future affected employee morale.

### fascinate

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

*synonym*: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

## reshape

*v.* to change the form or structure of something

*synonym* : alter, adjust, modify

(1) **reshape** education policy, (2) **reshape** my thoughts

The advent of the Internet completely **reshaped** the manufacturing industry.

## authoritarian

*adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

*synonym* : dictatorial, totalitarian, despotic

(1) **authoritarian** practice, (2) **authoritarian** government

The **authoritarian** leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.

## idealist

*n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

*synonym* : dreamer, idealizer, visionary

(1) **idealist** at heart, (2) an **idealist** perspective

As a dedicated **idealist**, she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.

## dictator

*n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force

*synonym* : autocrat, tyrant, despot

(1) military **dictator**, (2) a **dictator** with enormous powers

A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the **dictator**.

## crumble

*v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

*synonym* : disintegrate, collapse, deteriorate

(1) **crumble** to dust, (2) began to **crumble** under financial pressure

The old building was starting to **crumble** due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.

## repress

*v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories

*synonym* : suppress, control, curb

(1) cannot **repress** laughter, (2) **repress** gene expression

He **repressed** the memories of his traumatic childhood.

## quitter

*n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

*synonym* : coward, deserter, surrender

(1) easy **quitter**, (2) serial **quitter**

He was labeled as a **quitter** after he abandoned the project halfway.

## impede

*v.* to obstruct or block someone or something to slow down or prevent progress

*synonym* : hinder, obstruct, block

(1) **impede** a close relationship, (2) **impede** development

The traffic jam **impeded** our progress to reach the destination on time.

## utopian

*adj.* ideal and perfect; relating to or resembling a utopia (= an ideal and perfect society)

*synonym* : idealistic, perfectionistic, unrealistic

(1) **utopian** society, (2) **utopian** goal

He had a **utopian** vision of a world without war.

## liberalism

*n.* a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality

*synonym* : progressivism, open-mindedness, humanism

(1) classical **liberalism**, (2) economic **liberalism**

His political views are rooted in neo- **liberalism**.

## confuse

*v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

*synonym* : confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

## **avert**

*v.* to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening

*synonym*: discourage, prevent, deter

(1) **avert** disaster, (2) **avert** a strike

The dam systematically releases large amounts of water to **avert** flooding during the rainy season

## **mast**

*n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

(1) **mast** height, (2) built-up **mast**

The main cabin is located in front of the **mast**.

## **cyberspace**

*n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments

*synonym*: Internet, virtual reality, online world

(1) **cyberspace** security, (2) virtual **cyberspace**

Hackers are constantly trying to exploit vulnerabilities in **cyberspace** for their gain.

## **embolden**

*v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief

*synonym*: encourage, inspire, empower

(1) **embolden** the opposition, (2) **embolden** a country's leadership

She was **emboldened** by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.

## **accuse**

*v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing

*synonym*: charge, blame, criticize

(1) **accuse** his rudeness, (2) **accuse** each other

The witness **accused** the defendant of committing the robbery.

## elude

*v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning

*synonym*: evade, avoid, dodge

(1) **elude** the law, (2) **elude** responsibility for the failure

The suspect **eluded** capture for weeks before being caught by the police.

## slang

*n.* informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context

*synonym*: lingo, jargon, vernacular

(1) **slang** phrases, (2) Internet **slang**

A lot of **slang** words and phrases were popularized by hip-hop music.

## inmate

*n.* a person who is confined to an institution such as a prison, hospital, or mental health facility

*synonym*: prisoner, convict, detainee

(1) **inmate** population, (2) **inmate** rights

The prison implemented a new educational program for **inmates** to learn skills and prepare for life after release.

## purge

*v.* to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure

*synonym*: cleanse, clear, eliminate

(1) **purge** the system, (2) **purge** his sins

The government tried to **purge** corrupt officials from the bureaucracy.

## Wikipedia

*n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics

*synonym*: online encyclopedia, webpedia

(1) **Wikipedia** entry, (2) **Wikipedia** article

Not all teachers accept citing **Wikipedia** as a valid source for

academic papers.

## bureaucracy

*n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives

*synonym* : administration, government, system

(1) government **bureaucracy**, (2) arbitrary **bureaucracy**

The bumbling **bureaucracy** made it difficult to get the permits we needed.

## conceal

*v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered

*synonym* : hide, keep secret, camouflage

(1) **conceal** my identity, (2) **conceal** a close relationship

Despite the intense verbal abuse, she **concealed** her anger well.

## secondly

*adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

*synonym* : in the second place, next, subsequently

(1) **secondly** connected, (2) **secondly**, it is important

Firstly, we will discuss the budget; **secondly**, we will go over the schedule.

## legitimacy

*n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

*synonym* : legality, lawfulness, authenticity

(1) democratic **legitimacy**, (2) challenge the **legitimacy**

I'm going to deny the **legitimacy** of his claim.

## pitfall

*n.* a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare

*synonym* : trap, snare, hazard

(1) potential **pitfall**, (2) **pitfall** to be avoided

One of the biggest **pitfalls** of starting a new business is underestimating the costs.

## cyber

*adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality

*synonym*: digital, computer, Internet

(1) **cyber** bullying, (2) **cyber** crime

**Cyber** espionage between countries can have serious consequences.

## hedonist

*n.* a person who believes that pleasure and happiness are the most important goals in life

*synonym*: pleasure-seeker, sensualist, sybarite

(1) **hedonist** lifestyle, (2) aesthetic **hedonist**

The **hedonist's** extravagant spending and indulgent lifestyle eventually caught up with him, and he was forced to make major changes.

## opioid

*n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted

(1) an **opioid** analgesic, (2) **opioid** receptor

Treatment for **opioid** dependence may be a long-term process.

## renegade

*n.* a person who deserts and betrays an organization, country, religious group, or set of principles

*synonym*: traitor, deserter, insurgent

(1) **renegade** group, (2) **renegade** soldier

He was a **renegade** from the organization who decided to expose the truth.

## revolting

*adj.* causing strong disgust or repugnance; obscene, offensive, or morally unappealing

*synonym*: disgusting, repulsive, nauseating

(1) **revolting** sight, (2) **revolting** behavior

The sight and smell of the rotting garbage were **revolting**.

## **captivity**

*n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from

*synonym*: confinement, detention, imprisonment

(1) escape from **captivity**, (2) animals in **captivity** in the zoo

Pandas rarely breed in **captivity**.

## **empower**

*v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

*synonym*: authorize, endow, entitle

(1) **empower** my life, (2) **empower** the secretary to do the same

The company **empowered** employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.

## **broaden**

*v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.

*synonym*: expand, widen, enlarge

(1) **broaden** students' knowledge, (2) **broaden** their horizon

The company **broadened** its product line to include more customer options.

## **capita**

*n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone

*synonym*: head, headcount, person

(1) per **capita** sales, (2) the agricultural yield per **capita**  
GDP per **capita** shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.

## **intellect**

*n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

*synonym*: mind, brightness, cleverness

(1) enrich my **intellect**, (2) human **intellect**

Your **intellect** is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.



## dissident

*n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary

*synonym*: dissenter, rebel, protester

(1) **dissident** activities, (2) outspoken **dissident**

The government's security forces constantly monitored the **dissident** politician.

## shatter

*v.* to break suddenly into many pieces

*synonym*: break, crash, destroy

(1) **shatter** the plate, (2) **shatter** a world record

Her husband's death **shattered** her life entirely.

## Session 2: Spelling

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|---|---|
| 1. fa_____te the public                       | <i>v.</i> to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly  |
| 2. democratic leg_____cy                      | <i>n.</i> the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason                    |
| 3. outspoken di_____nt                        | <i>n.</i> a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary                              |
| 4. se_____ly, it is important                 | <i>adv.</i> used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.  |
| 5. re_____de group                            | <i>n.</i> a person who deserts and betrays an organization, country, religious group, or set of principles  |
| 6. began to cr_____e under financial pressure | <i>v.</i> to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support   |
| 7. sl__g phrases                              | <i>n.</i> informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context |
| 8. enrich my in_____ct                        | <i>n.</i> the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level  |

ANSWERS: 1. fascinate, 2. legitimacy, 3. dissident, 4. secondly, 5. renegade, 6. crumble, 7. slang, 8. intellect

9. economic lib\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality
10. cyb\_\_\_\_\_ce security *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
11. im\_\_\_e development *v.* to obstruct or block someone or something to slow down or prevent progress
12. di\_\_\_\_\_nt activities *n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
13. he\_\_\_\_\_st lifestyle *n.* a person who believes that pleasure and happiness are the most important goals in life
14. co\_\_\_\_\_e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
15. potential pi\_\_\_\_\_l *n.* a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare
16. deep pe\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right
17. built-up m\_\_\_t *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails

ANSWERS: 9. liberalism, 10. cyberspace, 11. impede, 12. dissident, 13. hedonist, 14. confuse, 15. pitfall, 16. pessimism, 17. mast

18. ac\_\_\_e his rudeness      *v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing
19. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the young      *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
20. br\_\_\_\_\_n students' knowledge      *v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.
21. pu\_\_e the system      *v.* to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure
22. se\_\_\_\_\_ly connected      *adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.
23. gr\_\_\_y mood      *adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way
24. re\_\_\_\_\_e my thoughts      *v.* to change the form or structure of something
25. aut\_\_\_\_\_ian practice      *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
26. in\_\_\_e population      *n.* a person who is confined to an institution such as a prison, hospital, or mental health facility
27. an id\_\_\_\_\_st perspective      *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity

ANSWERS: 18. accuse, 19. fascinate, 20. broaden, 21. purge, 22. secondly, 23. grumpy, 24. reshape, 25. authoritarian, 26. inmate, 27. idealist

28. pi\_\_\_\_\_l to be avoided *n.* a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare
29. el\_\_e the law *v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning
30. re\_\_\_\_\_de soldier *n.* a person who deserts and betrays an organization, country, religious group, or set of principles
31. aesthetic he\_\_\_\_\_st *n.* a person who believes that pleasure and happiness are the most important goals in life
32. av\_\_t a strike *v.* to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening
33. co\_\_\_\_\_l my identity *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
34. im\_\_\_\_\_e a close relationship *v.* to obstruct or block someone or something to slow down or prevent progress
35. cy\_\_r bullying *adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
36. ut\_\_\_\_\_n goal *adj.* ideal and perfect; relating to or resembling a utopia (= an ideal and perfect society)
37. cy\_\_r crime *adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
38. re\_\_\_\_\_s gene expression *v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
39. human in\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level

ANSWERS: 28. pitfall, 29. elude, 30. renegade, 31. hedonist, 32. avert, 33. conceal, 34. impede, 35. cyber, 36. utopian, 37. cyber, 38. repress, 39. intellect

40. escape from ca\_\_\_\_\_ty      *n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
41. military di\_\_\_\_\_or      *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
42. br\_\_\_\_\_n their horizon      *v.* to make or become wider or more extensive; to make or become more tolerant or liberal.
43. pu\_\_e his sins      *v.* to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure
44. government bur\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
45. el\_\_e responsibility for the failure      *v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning
46. an op\_\_\_\_d analgesic      *n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted
47. Wi\_\_\_\_\_ia entry      *n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
48. em\_\_\_\_\_r the secretary to do the same      *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something

ANSWERS: 40. captivity, 41. dictator, 42. broaden, 43. purge, 44. bureaucracy, 45. elude, 46. opioid, 47. Wikipedia, 48. empower

49. aut\_\_\_\_\_ian government      *adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights
50. in\_\_\_e rights      *n.* a person who is confined to an institution such as a prison, hospital, or mental health facility
51. challenge the leg\_\_\_\_\_cy      *n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason
52. virtual cyb\_\_\_\_\_ce      *n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
53. cr\_\_\_\_\_e to dust      *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support
54. Wi\_\_\_\_\_ia article      *n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
55. animals in ca\_\_\_\_\_ty in the zoo      *n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
56. re\_\_\_\_\_e education policy      *v.* to change the form or structure of something
57. sh\_\_\_\_\_r a world record      *v.* to break suddenly into many pieces

ANSWERS: 49. authoritarian, 50. inmate, 51. legitimacy, 52. cyberspace, 53. crumble, 54. Wikipedia, 55. captivity, 56. reshape, 57. shatter

58. op\_\_\_d receptor *n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted
59. easy qu\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
60. cannot re\_\_\_\_\_s laughter *v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
61. sense of pe\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right
62. co\_\_\_\_\_e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
63. arbitrary bur\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
64. classical lib\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality
65. m\_\_t height *n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
66. sh\_\_\_\_\_r the plate *v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
67. ut\_\_\_\_\_n society *adj.* ideal and perfect; relating to or resembling a utopia (= an ideal and perfect society)

ANSWERS: 58. opioid, 59. quitter, 60. repress, 61. pessimism, 62. confuse, 63. bureaucracy, 64. liberalism, 65. mast, 66. shatter, 67. utopian



68. Internet sl\_\_g *n.* informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context
69. the agricultural yield per ca\_\_\_a *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
70. co\_\_\_\_\_l a close relationship *v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
71. id\_\_\_\_\_st at heart *n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
72. ac\_\_\_e each other *v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing
73. em\_\_\_\_\_r my life *v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
74. em\_\_\_\_\_en the opposition *v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
75. per ca\_\_\_a sales *n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
76. re\_\_\_\_\_ng sight *adj.* causing strong disgust or repugnance; obscene, offensive, or morally unappealing

ANSWERS: 68. slang, 69. capita, 70. conceal, 71. idealist, 72. accuse, 73. empower, 74. embolden, 75. capita, 76. revolting

77. em\_\_\_\_\_en a country's leadership      *v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
78. re\_\_\_\_\_ng behavior      *adj.* causing strong disgust or repugnance; obscene, offensive, or morally unappealing
79. gr\_\_\_\_y cat      *adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way
80. av\_\_t disaster      *v.* to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening
81. a di\_\_\_\_\_or with enormous powers      *n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
82. serial qu\_\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started

ANSWERS: 77. embolden, 78. revolting, 79. grumpy, 80. avert, 81. dictator, 82. quitter

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Despite the intense verbal abuse, she \_\_\_\_\_ her anger well.  
*v.* to prevent something from being seen, found, observed, or discovered
2. She was \_\_\_\_\_ by her success and decided to take on a more significant challenge.  
*v.* to give courage or confidence to someone; to make someone feel brave or empowered; to strengthen or reinforce a position or belief
3. The CEO's constant \_\_\_\_\_ about the company's future affected employee morale.  
*n.* a tendency to see the worst in things and anticipate adverse outcomes; a belief that the world is generally bad or that something will go wrong more often than it will go right
4. Treatment for \_\_\_\_\_ dependence may be a long-term process.  
*n.* substances that have an effect similar to opium, such as morphine, used in medicines to treat severe pain, but some people take them illegally for pleasure and become addicted
5. Her remarks \_\_\_\_\_ the debate.  
*v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
6. GDP per \_\_\_\_\_ shrunk by almost 10 percent for the third consecutive year.  
*n.* a Latin word meaning "head," used to express the amount for each person; any head or headlike expansion on a structure, as on a bone
7. Firstly, we will discuss the budget; \_\_\_\_\_ we will go over the schedule.  
*adv.* used to introduce the second point or item in a list or series of statements, considerations, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. concealed, 2. emboldened, 3. pessimism, 4. opioid, 5. confused, 6. capita, 7. secondly,

8. As a dedicated \_\_\_\_\_ she always fought for what was right, no matter the cost.
- n.* a person who is guided by ideals or principles rather than practical considerations or reality; a person who seeks to achieve a particular vision or goal for the betterment of society or humanity
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ extravagant spending and indulgent lifestyle eventually caught up with him, and he was forced to make major changes.
- n.* a person who believes that pleasure and happiness are the most important goals in life
10. He was labeled as a \_\_\_\_\_ after he abandoned the project halfway.
- n.* a person who gives up easily or does not have the determination to finish what they have started
11. The company \_\_\_\_\_ employees to buy low-price items without approval to achieve efficient purchasing.
- v.* to give someone the power or authority to do something
12. The suspect \_\_\_\_\_ capture for weeks before being caught by the police.
- v.* to escape or avoid capture or detection, often by being clever or cunning
13. The sight and smell of the rotting garbage were \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* causing strong disgust or repugnance; obscene, offensive, or morally unappealing
14. The main cabin is located in front of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a long pole aboard a boat or ship that holds up the sails
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ leadership style left no room for dissent or alternative opinions.
- adj.* characterized by strict, absolute control and obedience to authority or rules; dictatorial and lacking in personal freedoms or individual rights

ANSWERS: 8. idealist, 9. hedonist's, 10. quitter, 11. empowered, 12. eluded, 13. revolting, 14. mast, 15. authoritarian

16. The old building was starting to \_\_\_\_\_ due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.
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- n.* a person who is confined to an institution such as a prison, hospital, or mental health facility
19. The government's security forces constantly monitored the \_\_\_\_\_ politician.
- n.* a person who opposes the policies or actions of a government or other authority, often publicly and openly; a rebel or revolutionary
20. He was a \_\_\_\_\_ from the organization who decided to expose the truth.
- n.* a person who deserts and betrays an organization, country, religious group, or set of principles
21. The traffic jam \_\_\_\_\_ our progress to reach the destination on time.
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- v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
23. I'm going to deny the \_\_\_\_\_ of his claim.
- n.* the state or quality of being allowed and acceptable under the law; the state or quality of being founded on a reasonable or acceptable reason

ANSWERS: 16. crumble, 17. broadened, 18. inmates, 19. dissident, 20. renegade, 21. impeded, 22. fascinated, 23. legitimacy

24. Not all teachers accept citing \_\_\_\_\_ as a valid source for academic papers.  
*n.* an online encyclopedia that allows users to contribute and edit articles collaboratively; a vast and frequently updated repository of information on a wide range of topics
25. One of the biggest \_\_\_\_\_ of starting a new business is underestimating the costs.  
*n.* a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty; a trap or snare
26. \_\_\_\_\_ espionage between countries can have serious consequences.  
*adj.* relating to or involving computers, computer networks, or virtual reality
27. He \_\_\_\_\_ the memories of his traumatic childhood.  
*v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
28. He had a \_\_\_\_\_ vision of a world without war.  
*adj.* ideal and perfect; relating to or resembling a utopia (= an ideal and perfect society)
29. The government tried to \_\_\_\_\_ corrupt officials from the bureaucracy.  
*v.* to remove or get rid of something, especially that is unwanted or impure
30. A lot of \_\_\_\_\_ words and phrases were popularized by hip-hop music.  
*n.* informal or non-standard language that is often used within a specific group or culture and may not be considered appropriate in a professional or formal context
31. The advent of the Internet completely \_\_\_\_\_ the manufacturing industry.  
*v.* to change the form or structure of something

ANSWERS: 24. Wikipedia, 25. pitfalls, 26. Cyber, 27. repressed, 28. utopian, 29. purge, 30. slang, 31. reshaped

32. Hackers are constantly trying to exploit vulnerabilities in \_\_\_\_\_ for their gain.
- n.* the electronic space where computer-mediated communication and interactions occur often used to refer to the internet or virtual reality environments
33. A popular uprising led to the overthrow of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a political leader who has complete power over a country, especially one who has obtained control by force
34. The witness \_\_\_\_\_ the defendant of committing the robbery.
- v.* to charge or criticize someone with a crime or wrongdoing
35. Her husband's death \_\_\_\_\_ her life entirely.
- v.* to break suddenly into many pieces
36. Pandas rarely breed in \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the situation in which a person or animal is kept in prison or a space that they cannot escape from
37. His political views are rooted in neo-\_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a political ideology or philosophy that emphasizes individual freedom, democracy, and equality
38. Your \_\_\_\_\_ is capable of distinguishing among similar objects.
- n.* the ability to think logically and comprehend information, especially at an advanced level
39. The bumbling \_\_\_\_\_ made it difficult to get the permits we needed.
- n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives

ANSWERS: 32. cyberspace, 33. dictator, 34. accused, 35. shattered, 36. captivity, 37. liberalism, 38. intellect, 39. bureaucracy

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ older man snapped at the children for playing too loudly.

*adj.* easily annoyed or irritable; inclined to complain or show dissatisfaction, often in an ill-tempered way

41. The dam systematically releases large amounts of water to \_\_\_\_\_ flooding during the rainy season

*v.* to prevent something dangerous or undesirable from happening

ANSWERS: 40. grumpy, 41. avert